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**Cc:** [Downham, Todd](#); [Holly Herod](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Wilcox Oil Company Superfund Site  
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Suzanne/Barry, at this time we currently fund a regional liaison position in the region for technical assistance (i.e., Barry Forsythe). All other activities performed by FWS outside of the regional liaison position would be related to trustee duties and are not funded by EPA. Throughout the all site activities, EPA will work closely with Barry, FWS liaison, on matters related to the Wilcox site, and we will keep all interested parties updated on site progress, meetings, and activities.

Thank you for your interest.

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**From:** Dunn, Suzanne [mailto:[suzanne\\_dunn@fws.gov](mailto:suzanne_dunn@fws.gov)]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 9:42 AM  
**To:** Forsythe, Barry  
**Cc:** Coltrain, Katrina; Downham, Todd; Holly Herod  
**Subject:** Re: Wilcox Oil Company Superfund Site

Barry,

Thanks for the clarification! I am glad to know that there is still an IA in place.

On Mon, Jun 8, 2015 at 8:19 AM, Forsythe, Barry <[barry\\_forsythe@fws.gov](mailto:barry_forsythe@fws.gov)> wrote:

Suzanne and others,

We still have an IA with EPA. The difference is that for the last several years Region 6 has only been putting enough in to cover only a portion of my position, and none specifically for field offices. What I've been doing is asking RPMs to meet with their management and put site-specific funding into the IA if they are going to want FWS support. Then I give the field office my WBS code to charge to for technical support.

Obviously with Region 6 only funding a portion of my Liaison position, I have to be judicious with giving part of that funding to the field offices. Hence I would suggest Katrina consider putting site-specific funds into the IA, if possible.

Barry

On Fri, Jun 5, 2015 at 1:36 PM, Dunn, Suzanne <[suzanne\\_dunn@fws.gov](mailto:suzanne_dunn@fws.gov)> wrote:

Glad to have you on board and thanks for the update. The FWS is interested in this site and would like to participate in planning activities and review of data. Is there any possibility of setting up an Inter-agency Agreement (IAG) for this site to fund the FWS for technical assistance (not NRDAR activities)? I know it is a long shot, but I thought I would ask. We used to have IAG for Superfund sites, back in the day....

Thanks,  
Suzanne

On Wed, Jun 3, 2015 at 8:56 AM, Coltrain, Katrina <[coltrain\\_katrina@epa.gov](mailto:coltrain_katrina@epa.gov)> wrote:

Barry/Suzanne, I am the new project manager for Wilcox, and I thought I would provide you with an update



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on the site. Todd Downham is the ODEQ project manager.

The two web links listed below provide you with some background information.

Site Status Summary: web link is: <http://www.epa.gov/region6/6sf/6sf-ok.htm>.

Oklahoma Web link is:

<http://www.deq.state.ok.us/lpdnew/SF/Superfund%20Project/SF%20Site%20Summaries/WilcoxRefinery.html>

Currently, the removal team is out in the field doing residential sampling (residential properties sampled may 2015.pdf). All of the red squares represent residential properties either within or near the site that are being sampled for metals, organics, pesticides, and PCBs. The blue represents new fencing removal will be installing. Also included for reference is a map the shows the home locations as they relate to historic operations in 1956 (1956 aerial with current residences provided by ODEQ.pdf). The earliest photo we have is 1941 (1941.jpg)

Contingent on funding, we are working with the EPA ERT team to complete some geophysical investigations followed by a direct sensing investigation. The geophysical investigation will include GPR, EM, and seismic, and will be scheduled late July/early August. The direct sensing investigations will be based on the findings of the geophysical investigation and will be coupled with geoprobe sampling, piezometer installation, and field testing. The direct sensing is tentatively scheduled for Nov/Dec. The long range plan is to use this information to develop a focused FSP and FS.

I was thinking that August may be a good time to some see the site while the team is out doing the geophysical work. Should these activities not take place, we can schedule another time for the site visit.

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